



Advanced Placement (AP) Course Enrollment Guidelines / Expectations

AP and Honors courses stimulate and challenge students to perform at a college level. Therefore, coursework requires students to engage in more independent analytical reading and writing assignments, both inside and outside the classroom. While AP courses are open to any student wishing to enroll, parents and students should consider the extra time and effort required to students who typically experience success in AP courses. The decision to enroll in AP courses ultimately rests with the students and parents.

Steps for Course Enrollment

Mandatory Assessment-

Students' interested in taking an AP course **MUST** complete the **MANDATORY** Spring Preliminary Diagnosis Assignment. Students will not be permitted to enroll in the AP Course if they choose to not participate. The schedule of the assessments can be found on the school bulletin or contact the teacher using the chart below.

2018-2019 AP Ledger and Teacher Contact

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| Biology - Mrs. Weir jweir@njuhsd.com | Physics 1- Mr. Gammelgard pgammelgard@njuhsd.com |
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Recommendations to consider-

Students are encouraged to take AP courses that are appropriate to their interests and academic strengths. The number of AP courses a student takes also varies with students' motivation, self-discipline, and available time outside of class. It is not recommended to take a combination of more than 3 AP/Honors classes per year due to significant time demands. Some AP classes have recommended courses you should take first, and all AP courses ask that you come willing to do your best work. Bear River AP teachers find that students are most successful when they meet the following criteria:

- Earn a "B" or above in the previous class
- Have a recommendation from previous teacher
- Overall GPA of 3.0

Probationary Terms / Agreement-

Student conferences will provide feedback for students that do not meet the above recommendations and perform poorly on the assessment. Students that choose to take the course without a strong recommendation will be enrolled in a Bruin-Time with their teacher for additional support.